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### PROUL SHIFTS ON ROADS ISSUE, SAYS GOVERNOR

nator Held Up Money and Now Urges More Mileage, Charge

ES 'INTERESTS' SERVED

abernatorial Candidate Asmils Executive and Asserts he is in Error

ther move in the oral fusiliade h is being exchanged between Govpor Brumbaugh and Senator Sproul, te for the gubernatorial nomon the Republican ticket, was this afternoon by Governor Brum-, who declared that the Senator about-faced on the road tax quesand is wrong in urging that the proto increase the mileage of the road system is against public

rnor Brumbaugh's attack agains Sproul's address on the road was called to the Senator's n this afternoon. He said he intention of making a wrangling

I am attending to my candidacy, "I am not going to wrangle the Governor." Governor's statement, to which

Sproul replied as above, was

Chester county speech that he adding mileage to the present y system, giving as his reason this way the expense of road

pu's record here shows he has the leading factor in preventing ation that would produce revenue and purposes. He served special

de by increasing the mileage for lis generally worthy even a des-sar's change of front. Only a the ago he favored a tax of a but, naving in mind suca a tax, being he personally declared it to be tay to raise money to give the highways the funds essential to development, but he as definitely need any tax upon corporations for highest highest such as the such tax and tax are tax and tax are tax and tax are tax

called Sproul road bill was up there a most unfair political scramble pany's claim that while the number of passengers, and he could not prevent it also declared that the present miles is too great, and that he would like the countries would not agree that the present miles is too great, and that he would like the countries would not dark of COLUMNICO IN STARRING in the counties would not dare lows" in the counties would not dare along on a plan to cut out unneces-ry sections, and he would, he said unit nolitical suicide if he openiy vocated it.

To we have a man bidding publicly office on an issue that he himself spediated, and his insincerity in this but one of several reasons why he The people understand and they are

enator Sproul today renewed his as-don that Governor Brumbaugh has at told a deliberate untruth or has

reamor for coming out on the prohibi-in platform. The Governor accused the major of bad faith, asserting that had they spoke from the same table at majuet in 1915 he and not Sproul The Governor said in his statement

asked him when he would "cut out d—ed prohibition stuff." cator Sproul denied this yesterday.

one pig by the ear." The Governor t down in his diary at the time. vernor Brumbaugh's latest ut-

The Governor's first reply to Sproul's ution that he was mistaken, was to feet that Senator Sproul's memory

cathued on Page Four. Column Seven Americans and Britons, Sailing From

TE OF FOUR SENTENCED LDIERS STILL IN DOUBT

ves Not Granted Men Facing Death Penalty for Sleeping.

shington, March 14.—The cases of American soldiers under death sen-in France, while sleeping on post, all under consideration by the War timent. The men have not been re-

### SPROUL-BRUMBAUGH "WAR" NEWS

Governor's Guns Governor Brumbaugh accuses

wanted to know when he would it had been abused. "cut out this d-d prohibition

when he would cut out the prohibi- time, place and fact, tion stuff and he noted it in his diary at the time,

tor Sproul reversed himself and fa- baugh vors the wrong plan on roads.

### Senator's Shots

Senator Sproul declares for pro Sproul of bad faith on the prohibi- hibition and attacks the conduct of tion issue and says the Senator the Highway Department, declaring

He denies having asked Governor Brumbaugh when "will you cut out Governor, in next interview, de- this d-d prohibition stuff," sayclares Senator Sproul did ask hlm ing the Governor was wrong as to

Told of Governor's assertion that he had reversed himself on the road In his latest attack he shifts to issue, he asserts that he is not gothe road issue, declaring that Sena- ing to wrangle with Governor Brum-

## HOT SHOT FIRED

Commission

gardly in providing cars and other equipment in spite of plentiful dividends and in the face of a rapidly growing population were mingled with complaints of lack of cars, crowded cars, cars failing to stop, poor ventilation, dirty cars, broken-down cars and disco

The complainants in the case are the cliv of Philadelphia. United Business in this way the expense of road struction and maintenance would be the buffersome matter for the sis said the Governor.

The complainants in the case are the cliv of Philadelphia, United Business den's Association, North Philadelphia Business den's Association and William H. Robinson, a taxpayer. The hearing is the result of a resolution adopted recently by Councils which provided that the grievances of all should be heard to nee.

Commissioners Ainey, Ryan, Rilling, Aleorn and Brecht are sitting at the steel mills, the Hog Island ship-yard and other plants under the gulse of patriotism," declared the secretary. "So flagrant has it become that the The complainants in the case are the

when he announced that an ordinance was passed seven years ago by Councils which permitted cars of the company to pass by street intersections without coming to a full stop. He said that this was the real cause of the trouble

In questioning those who complained against the Sixtieth street line Mr. Bal-lard sought to show that inadequate service was due to the fact that the company could not obtain proper equip-ment to make repairs and put the line in satisfactory condition. He asked numerous witnesses if it was not true that the train service which paralleled this

No New Cars Since 1913 m to favor a reduction of mileage

(State highways, to the end that the state's fund should be adequate to the space expectations and not wasted in space wiles.

Not a car purchased since 1913 is the record of the P. R. T., according to statistics presented by Mr. Bearley, who accused the company of sacrificing passengers, welfare, for the subfolish effort to maintain more miles sengers' weifare for the sake of dividends. "More dividends, more passented that I was right; that when the called Sproul road bill was up there slogan, he said. He disputed the com-

### ACQUITTED IN STABBING OF WIFE'S ADMIRER

Courtroom Moved by John R. K Scott's Plea for Man Deserted by Spouse for Boarder

scott's Frea for Man Described by Spouse for Boarder and the insineerity in this it one of several reasons why he does not be nominated by the Recan party. This is no time to the second party. The second party. In the Court of Over and Terminer this afternoon. The risk from the fatal stabbing of John Messersmith, on November 15, 1917, at 2920 Cambridge street.

It appeared that Wilson and his wife avenue. Messersmith was a boarder in their home. He was employed at night and siept at home in the day time, while wilson was at work. Wilson finsily became suspictous of Messersmith's familiarity with his wife and he ordered the objectionable bearder to move. A quarrel ensued between Wilson and his wife to the house on Cambridge street, where he discovered she was living with Messersmith. He went to the house to persuade his wife to return to him, and while he was there Messersmith were time later Wilson fraced his wife to the house on Cambridge street, where he discovered she was living with Messersmith. He went to the house to persuade his wife to return to him, and while he was there Messersmith and with an backjack. It was then that Wilson stabbed his assailant with a breadknife.

When the jury announced their verdict there was a demonstration, spectators implied to the court officers promptly restored order.

#### GERMANS TAKE CITIZENS FROM NEUTRAL SHIP

Finland, Captured-To Be

Stockholm, March 14.—A number of American and British citizene, sailing from Finland on a neutral vessel, were captured by Germans, according to dis-patches received here today. Those of military age will be taken to Germany, it was said, where they will

# METHODISTS FLAY

Conference Speaker

EQUIPMENT LESSENED APPEALED TO PRESIDENT sacks, will attend.

The Philadelphia Rapid Transit Com- Wartime Sunday work, "under the pany was attacked from all angles to- guise of patrictism," was denounced today at a hearing before the Public day by the Rev. T. T. Mutchier, secre-Service Commission in City Hall to tary of the Philadelphia and Pennsylconsider complaints against inadequate vania Sabbath Association, in an address before the second day's session of Charges that the company was nig- the 131st annual meeting of the Philadelphia Conference of the Methodist Episcopal Church, in the Simpson Memorial Church, Kensington avenue and

Cambria street. Reported wholesale desecration and abuse of the Sabbath by plants working on war orders has been brought to the

refused to lay the necessary taxes of the necessary taxes of the nearly solicitor. Connelly, while C. Oscar naid Brecht are sitting at the hearing. The city is represented by City of Bagrant has it become that the number of number of the number of "So flagrant has it become that the ment that keeps the men from church, where they should be on Sunday". The association has aided in defeating legislation allowing Sunday baseball, movies, concerts and fishing, he reported.

reported.

Aggressive action by the political matters in spite of criticism was urged by the Rev. Dr. John G. Wil-son, superintendent of the Central dis-

his annual report, Engage in Politics

"One caustic reply was received by a pastor who wrote to a Congressman asking his support of the prohibition amendment," said the Rev. Dr. Wilson. "The Congressman wrote that ministers should stick to the gospel and not meddle in politics. Now, if Congress has the right to criticize the Administration, the members of the church have the right to criticize the actions of Congress. The attitude of the average politician is To perdition with the church and the ciergy." and the clergy."

The Rev. Dr. Wilson urged registra-

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#### PRESIDENT HAS WAR, ACTIVITY GROWS NARROW ESCAPE IN TRAFFIC JAM

Almost Run Down by Moving Van When Crossing Street

in Washington Washington, March 14.

President Wilson had a narrew escape from being run down by a moving van this afternoon. Crossing Fifteenth street, just ahead of the three secret service men, he was momentarily caught in a traffic jam. A procession of three everywhere, with observation officers moving vans was lumbering along, the swaying beneath minutely watching the first one in the line almost grazing the opposing lines.

The entire front is in a state of fev-Executive.

The President, by cool and active maneuvering, managed to keep clear and reached the other side of the street in safety. He was said to be on his way to the shipping board office.

weather is specially up to work in all departments. Signs are not lacking of intense activity by the enemy, whose forces are constantly growing. The airmen on both sides are busy night and day—the British bombing

### ARCHIE' ROOSEVELT GOT WAR CROSS FOR HEROISM

French Government Bestowed Honor for Brilliant Leadership Under Heavy Boche Fire

With the American Army in France, March 14.—The French Government bestowed the much-coveted "Croix de Guerre" on young Captain "Archie" Roosevelt for the great courage and decisive leadership he displayed during a heavy German hombardment.

The son of Colonel Roosevelt was stationed with his men northwest of Toul when a particularly heavy artillery fire was concentrated on the American trenches by the enemy. Fearing that a raid would follow, he kept his men on guard and remained until the safety of all was assured from the hail of death.

ARRESTED BY HIS "FRIEND" New-Found Chum of Alleged Dope Dealer Is U. S. Agent

BRITISH SEAPLANES WIN

The men have not been rebecases are still in the judge advoseneral's was add ofseneral than the judge advoseneral seneral seneral than the judge advoseneral seneral se

### RUSSIAN CHIEFS READY TO MEET - FLEET MENACED **GERMAN TERMS**

Peace Pact Today Thought Certain

Soviets' Acceptance of Advance From Odessa Upon Sebastopol Is Now Expected

ALLIED NATIONS WAIT READY TO RUSH GRAIN

to Fight Teutons Alone, Francis Cables

ATP.R.T. SERVICE

SUNDAY WORK

Many Inadequacies Alleged at Hearing Before

Commission

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Petrograd, March 14.

Ratification of the German-dictated peace—with immediate preparations for a revolutionary war included—is a foregone conclusion when the Pan-Soviet Congress convenes at Moscow today, in view of the compromise effected by the various factions.

The Congress also will decide on a permanent change of the capital from

permanent change of the capital from Petrograd. workmen, peasants, soldiers and Cos-

Washington, March 14. Leon Trotsky, former Bolshevik Prime Minister, is talking of organizing an army "under iron discipline" to fight the army "under iron discipline" to fight the Germans, evidently believing renewal of war on the Germans is unavoltable.

That was the report of Ambassador
Francis, at Vologda, sent the State Department overnight. He said Trotsky
was reported to be very curious about the Siberian situation and very

over the report that any of a with Lenine, who is trying to head off coposition to the Germans. Francis's new, and they can be expected to push message did not indicate with whom the reorganization of rail lines in the Trotsky had been talking, but said the Ukraine with utmost energy. arks were credited to him as of the 10th or 11th.

cepts German peace.

in Moscow. There was a wide di-on of opinion as to the action that he taken, Many officials believe congress will ratiry the Germanbelief on the effect that the capture of have upon the delegates. Other officials, and these include many close to Presithe United States intends to safeguard the interests of Russia and from the executive committee of the American Federation of Labor that organized labor in the United States is ready to do all that it can to aid the Russian per ples. How effective these assurances will be officials here could not forecast. They hoped, however, that they would do

The taking of Odessa, while long dis-Continued on Page Pour, Column Three Continued on Page Seventeen, Column Eight

LINES; BEATEN BACK

Enemy Trenches Near

An enemy raid north of the Ypres-

Southwest of Epchy raiders entered

enemy trenches and brought back one

There was mutual artillerying south-

west of Cambrai, Hostile artillerying

increased in the neighborhood of Neuve-

Battle planes fill the air along the

west front. Sausage balloons are up

erishness. The wonderful spring-like weather is speeding up the work in all

military works along the Germans' lines, the latter hovering over Paris and open

The British brought down seventy

stations, transport columns and

As an example of the airman's dally

job, one dived toward a running enemy train, derailing three cars with bombs. The engine was uncoupled and raced northward. The plane followed close to

the ground, raking the engine crew with

Havana Results

nine enemy planes in the first ten days in March. Airdromes, barracks, rail-

towns, murdering women and children.

Staden Railway was repulsed, Field

Marshal Haig reported today.

Chappelle and Faucuissart.

London, March 14.

## SLAV BLACK SEA BY FOE'S DRIVE

Trotsky May Organize Army Teutons to Devote Efforts to

Organizing Lines of Supplies From Ukraine

WASHINGTON, March 14. The Germans, having seized Odessa and the wheat country of lower Ukraine, will now advance in the direction of Schastopol, military experts believed today. That port is the base of the Russian Black Sea fleet, and its capture would give Ger-3000 delegates, including many possession of a number of good fighting ships and make Teuton domination of the Black Sea

absolute. The Russian situation has been occupying the very serious attention of American officers. Its effect on

say, will be devoted to organizing lines authorities regard the message as An all-water route from Odensa to Bei

The information from Francis indi-cates that the Pan-Soviet Congress will stuffs from occupied territory, they prob-not be able to escape trouble, even if it also will turn their attention to the con-accents. German, pages Deepest interest was evinced every-where in Washington today in the meet-ing of the Russian Pan-Soviet Congress, plenty of labor can be obtained in Rus-plenty of labor can be obtained in Russla at comparatively low wages. sands of Russian workmen will not ob ject to going to Germany, where they will be assured of better living condi-tions than in chaotic and half-starving

The effect of such an influx of Slav labor on the European man-power sit-uation will be great, it is said. Every Russian laborer will relieve a German now engaged in munitions making or other work for service in the army. In the meantime Germany's plunde policy in the Near East is having the effect of stifflening the war spirit of the Allies, while at the same time it is encountering the opposition of the Ger-man people themselves.

Germans Begin to Double Teuton papers just reaching here show that the Germans doubt the wisdom of

### HUNS RAID FLANDERS | WILL GO TO ORPHANED BABIES OF FRANCE

British Also Strike, Entering Miss Ella Frances Harris, the "Children's Lady," Gets Red | and 10 o'clock, but at that time it was Cross Billet



MISS ELLA FRANCES HARRIS

Because the wail of the fatherless French badies strikes close to her, Miss Ella Frances Harris, "The Children's Lady," of 4651 Hazel avenue, will sail for France next week.

She will go as special attache of the American Red Cross in Paris, and her work there, as here, will be among the

the ground, raking the engine crew with its machine gun.

A careful compilation shows that the British have dropped ten bombs to the enemy's one in the zone of operations. in Philadelphia to receive a foreign Red Cross hilet direct from Washington.

"My appointment is a great joy, of course," she said today, "as well as a great surprise. How they happened to know about me at Washington I can't leaster. FIRST RACE, % mile: nmenae, 108, Crump ... even 2 to 5 .... Ill Wiley 114 Kleeger ... 6 to 5 8 to 5 Biton Campbell, 114, Pitz .... 6 to 5 Hiton Camubell, 114, Pitz ... 6 to 5 Time, 1-92 2-5, SECOND RACE, 5 furionss; setterton, 114, Collins. 5 to 2 even 1 to 2 larce Polo, 103, Hullman ... 2 to 1 even yengali, 103, Wingfeld ... even Time, 1-91 4-5, THIR DHACE, 5 furionss; lolet, 97, Bullman ... even 2 to 5 1 to 5 assic, 102, Miller ... even 1 to 2 ota, 102, Miller ... 6 to 5 Time, 1-90 4-5, Time, 1-90 4-5.

But in this the "Children's Lady" belittles the all-seeing eye of the Government powers. For several years it has
been keeping watch on the good work
of Miss Harris, first in the city and
later in New York. Even before the
ink was dry on her Vassar sheepskin,
it found her applying with the flaming
arder for the job of children's agent
in the Children's Bureau at City. Hell

### BASKETBALL SCORES

SOUTH PHILA. 28 16-44 SOUTH, PHIL, 2D., 7 12-19 FRANKFORD H. S 10-18 FRANKFORD 2D... 2 G- 3

MARY LYON 23 23-46 BEACHWOOD ... 6 3-9

### DISSTON'S WINTER HOME ROBBED OF \$20,000 IN JEWELS

THOMASVILLE, Ga., March 14 .- Twenty thousand dollars' worth of jewels were stolen February 16 from the winter home here of Henry Disston, of Philadelphia, it was learned today. Detectives working on the case had kept the theft secre-The jewels were taken from the rooms of Mrs. Dissten and Mrs. W. H. Drayton, a visitor.

#### BALFOUR ASSURES COMMONS OF JAPAN'S LOYALTY

LONDON, March 24 .- Any assurance Japan has given of Russian integrity will be fulfilled, Arthur Balfour, Secretary of State for Foreign Affairs, declared in the House of Commons this afternoon in reply to a question. Balfour said that Japan was not moving from selfish or interested motives, but was behaving in perfect loyalty to the Allies.

#### U. S. TO SHOW CONDITIONS IN SALOONS HERE

United States District Attorney Kane this afternoon announced that he will go before the License Court tomorrow to divulge informaion that has come to his department through investigations of saloons. He refused to make known thenames of the colores that will be affected.

### ZEPPELIN RAIDS HARTLEPOOL: 5 DIE, 9 INJURED

lish City-Second Attack Within 24 Hours

This condemnation is finding its way and three children—were killed and even more into the German press than nine jujured at Hartlepool last night by into the American. Long extracts from bombs dropped from a German air bombs dropped from a German air issued today by Lord French, comman

der-in-chief of the home defenses. Four bombs were dropped upon the city by the German airship. Six houses

were demolished and thirty others dam-Lord French, commander-in-chief of the Home Defenses, sald that hostile airships crossed the coast line between 9

uncertain whether two craft or only one was taking part, The official statement uses the term airship, presumably referring to a Zeppelin. This is the second Zeppelin-raid on England within 24 hours. Tuesday night's raid, which resulted in the death of one woman by shock, was the first attempted since October, 1917.

Hartlepool stands upon a promontory jutting into the North Sea, nineteen miles southeast of the city of Durham. It has a vast system of docks and there large iron foundries and shipyards ocated there. It was attacked from

Berlin (via London), March 14.-Three airpianes of an enemy squadron payers through the mandamus power. In the event of Councils rejecting down, the Berlin War Office announced Judge Brown's request and his substitution.

#### BIDS BALFOUR EXPLAIN DIFFERENCE WITH U. S.

Commons Member Points to Divergent Views of President and Lord Cecil

London, March 14.—H. M. Lees Smith, member of Parliament from Northampton, today demanded in the House of Commons that Arthur Balfour, Secretary of State for Foreign Affairs, explain the differences between Lord Robert Cecl's interview and President Wilson's policy toward Japan.

Lord Robert Cecli declared that Japan, being a sovereign State, had the right Lord Robert Cecil declared that Japan, being a sovereign State, had the right to determine its own actions in regard to policies directly affecting its welfare. He intimated he would not be surprised to see Japan defend her interests in Siberia.

### CARRIER FOR 12 YEARS HELD AS MAIL ROBBER

Inspectors Testify. They Found \$2.50 Decoy Letter in Mount Airy Man's Pocket

Norman J. Jones, forty-two years old. a mail carrier of 152 Pleasant street. Mt. Airy, accused of theft from the mails was held under \$1900 bail today by United States Commissioner Ed-munds in the Federal Building. The arrest was made by postoffice munds in the Federal Building.

The arrest was made by postoffice Inspectors Hawksworth and McVlekers, after various complaints by persons residing along Jones's route, that letters containing money had not been delivered. A decoy letter containing \$2.50, the inspectors testified, was found on Jones when he was arrested.

Jones had been a mail carrier for more than twelve years. He is married and has three children.

Wants Flags to Shrond He

### **BROWN MAY USE** MANDAMUS WRIT

Four Bombs Dropped in Eng. Vares Believe Municipal Judge Will Insist on More Money

NEW BURDEN FOR CITY

RIGH COST OF CPKEEP OF MUNICIPAL COURT

OF MUNICIPAL COURT
Original plan called for fewer than
fity employes.

Present payroll numbers more than
500, with an annual expense for
maintenance of more than \$700,000.

Judge Brown's latest demand is for
218 more employes at an annual cost
of more than \$200,000.

The Court is also asking for building improvements, the employment of
experts, etc., to cost \$53,000.

Grand total, if Councils grant requests, more than \$1,000,000.

Grand total, if Councils turn down
demand and Judge Brown appoints,
will be increased by cost of mandamus writs at the rate of \$1,75 for
each writ for eash each of the 218 new
employes each time paid.

Will Judge Charles L. Brown appoint referring to a 218 new court employes and permit the

> That is the question Vare followers in Councils' Finance Committee are asking in advance of taking up the new demands of the Municipal Court for more

The President Judge has the power

court by more than \$200,000 and, at the guards have been put on to watch the same time, to add a burden on the tax- plant. quent exercise of his appointive powers, the added cost of mandamusing the city treasury each month for payments would be \$1.75 for each of the 218 per-This, repeated during the remaining months of the year, would reach an

appreciable total. Should Judge Brown take such action e would have some precedent at his he would have some precedent at back, but not to the extent at preplanned. Several times in the past the courts have appointed additional em-ployes and have increased salaries without the consent of Councils case the cost of preemptory writs for payment has increased the cost.

Chairman Gaffney, of Councils' Finance Committee, when asked if the committee, which is controlled by the Vare faction of the Republican Organ-Continued on Page Five, Column One

Gaffney in No Hurry

The conference report on the measure, already adopted by the Senate, was approved by the House almost unanimously. The bill was then immediately

Wants Flags to Shroud Heroes Washington, March 14.—American soldiers who gave their lives for their country will be sent home in full uniform, wrapped in the flag, if the War College adopts new regulations suggested by Provost Marshal General Crowder.

Maryland House Kills Suffrance Annapolis, March 14.—The House College adopts new regulations suggested by Provost Marshal General Crowder.

## PLOT BARED TO BLOW UP HOG ISLAND

Large Quantities of Dynamite Found in Ship Plant

SENATE PROBERS TOLD OF DISCOVERY

Witness Explains Why Number of Guards Had to Be Increased

U. S. AGENTS INVESTIGATE

Head of Industrial Relations Department Testifies Regarding Housing Problems

### Big German Plot Here: Trap Set for Arrests

Philadelphians can expect. in the near future, the greatest German plot sensation of the war, according to Frank L. Garbarino, special agent of the Department of Justice. He says the trap is set and the time virtually ripe for ar-

"I have had my men after the plotters for months," he says. "and we are about to give them a good ripping." This is all he would say.

By a Staff Correspondent

Washington, March 14. Evidence of a plot to destroy the plant of the American International Shipbuilding Corporation at Hog Island was revealed today before the senatorial investigating committee.

Hidden in different places in the

Hog Island shipyards recently, it was sworn, 245 pounds of dynamitesufficient to cripple the entire plant -was discovered. This was the startling testimony given here by Dudley Reed Kennedy, head of the Industrial Relations Department at Hog Jsland, today be-

fore the Senate committee which is investigating the work and conduct of the Delaware River shippards. Discovery of the dynamite in House Island was made public by Kennedy in justification for the recently increased number of guards kept on

the payroll of the American International Shipbuilding Corporation. Dynamite Scattered As Mr. Kennedy recited the details of the discovery of the explosives, members of the Senate Commerce Committee leaned over and sought to catch every

The dynamite, according to Kennedy, was scattered in small quantities in different areas of the shippards. Not all the dynamite was found in one day. Inmandamusing of city funds to pay their stead, Kennedy declared, the explosives were found from time to time. Frequently additional sticks of dynamics

were found in places while he investigation was going on. To the question as to how the dynamite got there, Kennedy said he was unable to answer. According to Kento enforce his request to increase by the United States Secret Service. nedy, the matter is now being probed

Kennedy also said he understood there was a shortage of steel at the Hog Island yard now. Twelve ways have been completed, but only two keels have been laid. The other ten keels will be laid as soon as steel is available.

He described housing conditions and told of his department's work in pro-viding shelter for the workmen. Bar-racks housing 6000 men have been com-pleted. Accommodations for 13,000 more have been procured by a campaign for rooms in Philadelphia, but this had

WOMAN SPY SUSPECT HELD AT GRAND RAPIDS Charged With Supplying Germany With Plans of Camp Custer and

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Other Secrets RAILROAD BILL AWAITS
PRESIDENT'S SIGNATURE

Conference Report Adopted by
House, 303 to 25—Already Approved by Senate

Washington, March 14.—The Administration railway bill required only the signature of President Wilson this afternoon to become a law.

The conference report on the measure already adopted by the signature of the measure already adopted by the conference report on the measure already adopted by the signature of t

mazoo rooming house have been and are being examined. Five Wills Are Probated Wills probated today include the R. Conrad Atkinson, who died reat the Roosevent Hospital, leavis relatives an estate valued at Frederich Moschewitz, 5210 Estreet, \$5300; Robert L. Welch, Jr. North Eleventh street, \$4700; M.E. Griffith, 1813 North Pifteenth \$13856, and Eva Gutekunst, 1818 Schiller street, \$2450.

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